MONTEREY PARK ENVIRONMENTAL COMMISSION REGULAR MEETING MINUTES May 8, 2018

The Environmental Commission of the City of Monterey Park held a Regular Meeting of the Commission in the Engineering Conference Room, located at 320 West Newmark Avenue in the City of Monterey Park, Tuesday, May 8, 2018 at 6:00 p.m.

CALL TO ORDER:

Chair Wong called the meeting to order at 6:08 p.m.

FLAG SALUTE:

Chair Wong led the flag salute.

ROLL CALL:

Principal Management Analyst Tam called the roll:

Commissioners Present: Shirley Hwong, Karl Wong, and Sam Cheung

Commissioners Absent: Jenelle Dhing

Youth Advisors Present: Kailey Ogawa-Monroe and Celeste Chan

Youth Advisors Absent: None

ALSO PRESENT: Principal Management Analyst Bonnie Tam, Planet Savers Founder / Mark Keppel High School Student Stanley Lin, Mark Keppel High School Student Spencer Lin, and Monterey Park Residents Stephen Fong, Tammy Sam, and Jacqueline Ramirez.

AGENDA ADDITIONS, DELETIONS, CHANGES AND ADOPTIONS

Added Oath of Office for Commissioner Stephen Fong.

ORAL AND WRITTEN COMMUNICATIONS

1. PRESENTATION

City Clerk Vincent Chang administered the oath of office for newly-appointed Commissioner Stephen Fong, followed by a presentation of a Certificate of Appointment. A commission handbook was given to Commissioner Stephen Fong.

2. OLD BUSINESS – None.

3. **NEW BUSINESS**

3-A. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Approve the minutes from the special meeting of April 10, 2018.

Action Taken: The Environmental Commission approved the minutes from the regular meeting of April 10, 2018.

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Motion: Co-Chair Hwong moved to approve the April 10, 2018 minutes and Commissioner Cheung seconded, motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Commissioners: Hwong, Wong, Cheung

Noes: Commissioners: None Absent: Commissioners: Dhing Abstain: Commissioners: None

3-B. ENVIRONMENTAL COMMISSION OPEN SEATS

Chair Wong briefed the Commissioners that the Commission still has one open seat for Commissioner to be appointed by Councilmember Ing and two open seats for student advisors.

3-C. DE-BRIEF ON EARTH DAY FESTIVAL AND BIKE RIDE 2018

The Commission discussed things that the Commission can include in next year's Earth Day Festival and Bike Ride, including adding vendors such as ELAC Science and Engineering Division, LADPW/FinnPartners, USFS, and CSULA, table format, Eco-Summit, sound system, stage, music, more event postings with the usage of social media, and getting more sponsorships.

Co-Chair Hwong mentioned that one of the bike ride participants named Mr. Oriot donated bike equipment and T-shirts. The Commission directed Principal Management Analyst Tam to send thank you letter to Mr. Oriot.

3-D. LIST OF UPCOMING COMMISSION MEETING AGENDA ITEMS

Chair Wong provided the Commission with a list of proposed future meeting agenda items, including waste-to-energy organization, airplane noise, tree planting on Potrero Grande, Demonstration Garden school tours, prescription medication and needles disposal, solar panel, food recovery, green business award from the Chamber of Commerce, native plants autumn workshop, and MRF hydrogen research facility field trips.

4. COMMISSION COMMUNICATIONS

Principal Management Analyst Tam announced that the next LA County Household Hazardous Waste and E-Waste Roundup event will be hosted at the Southeast Rio Vista YMCA at Maywood Park on May 26, 2018 from 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. Flyers are available at City Hall Public Works counter.

Principal Management Analyst Tam announced that the City will be celebrating National Public Works Week on May 23, 2018 at the City Yard from 11:00 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. The City Yard is located at 751 S. Alhambra Ave., Monterey Park.

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ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business for consideration, the meeting was adjourned at 8:59 p.m.

Bonnie Tam

Staff Liaison to the Environmental Commission

City of Monterey Park

Approved on June 12, 2018 at the Environmental Commission regular meeting